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Education

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY — **NEW YORK, NY**
PhD, Political Science, Comparative Politics, Statistical Methods, defended September 11, 2018 — Oct 2018
Dissertation: "Ex-Communist Party Choices and the Electoral Success of the Radical Right in Central and Eastern Europe"
Committee: Profs. Timothy Frye, Joshua Tucker, Sheri Berman, Robert Kaufman, and Donald Green
MPhil, Political Science — Jun 2014
MA, Political Science — Sep 2013

HIGHER SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS — **MOSCOW, RUSSIA**
Candidate of Sciences Degree, Economics, October 2011 — Oct 2011
Dissertation: "The Influence of Confessional Affiliation on Socio-Economic Preferences and the Behavior of Religious Respondents (on the Example of Ukraine)"
Committee: Profs. Evgeny Yasin, Sergey Gelman, and Alexander Auzan
BA, Economics and Finance (awarded Gold Medal) — Jul 2005

HARVARD UNIVERSITY — **CAMBRIDGE, MA**
Visiting Fellow, Davis Center and Institute for Quantitative Social Science — Jan 2010

Publications

Articles, Book Chapters

- Berman S., Snegovaya M. 2019. "The Decline of the Left in Western and Eastern Europe," *Journal of Democracy*, Johns Hopkins University Press, Volume 30, Number 3, July.
- Snegovaya M. 2018. "Why is the Russian Leadership Aggressive on the International Stage?" *Problems of Post-Communism*, Volume 65.
- Snegovaya M. 2017. "Conservative Turn in Eastern Europe: Political Conservatism in Russia," *Desenvolvimento em Debate*, Brazilian National Institute of Science and Technology.
- Snegovaya M. 2015. "Religious Affiliation and Individual Economic and Political Attitudes in Ukraine," Chapter in *Culture Matters in Russia—and Everywhere: Backdrop for the Russia-Ukraine Conflict*. London: Lexington Books.
- Yasin E., Snegovaya M. 2010. "Institutional Problems of Russia in the Global Context," *Voprosy Ekonomiki*. №1 (in Russian).
- Yasin E., Snegovaya M. 2009. "Institutional and Cultural Constraints of Catching Up Countries," *Voprosy Ekonomiki*. №11, (in Russian).
- Yasin E., Snegovaya M. 2009. "The Role of Innovation in the Global Economy," *Voprosy Ekonomiki. №9* (in Russian).
- Yasin E., Snegovaya M. 2009. *Tectonic Changes in the World Economy: Let the Cultural Factor Speak (BRICs study).* Moscow: Publishing House of SU HSE (in Russian).
- Rogov K., Snegovaya M. 2009. "Terms Matter," *Ekonomicheskaya politika. № 5*(in Russian).

Research Reports

- Snegovaya M. 2018. "Tension at the Top: The Impact of Sanctions on Russia's Poles of Power," Center for European Policy Analysis, July 28.
- Snegovaya M. 2018. "Will Russia's "Digital Natives" Change Their Country's Future?" Center for European Policy Analysis, April 5.
- Snegovaya M. 2018. "Reviving the Propaganda State: How the Kremlin Hijacked History to Survive," Center for European Policy Analysis, January 17.
- Snegovaya M. 2017. Policy Memo: "Justifying a Counter-Cyclical US-Russia Policy (the Case of Energy Dependence)," the Harriman Institute, March 20.
- Snegovaya M. 2015. "Stifling the Public Sphere: Media and Civil Society in Egypt, Russia, And Vietnam: Russia," Analytical Report. The National Endowment for Democracy.
- Snegovaya M. 2015. Russia Report. Putin's Information Warfare in Ukraine. Soviet Origins of Russia's Hybrid Warfare. Analytical Report. The Institute for the Study of War, September.

Popular Press

- Snegovaya M., "When Left-Leaning Parties Support Austerity, Their Voters Start to Embrace the Far Right," the Monkey Cage (Political Science Blog), the *Washington Post*, November 20, 2018.
- Snegovaya M., "Here's How We Know Sanctions Against Russia Are Working," The Monkey Cage (Political Science Blog), the *Washington Post*, August 6, 2018.

- Snegovaya M., "Is it Time to Drop the F-Bomb on Russia? Why Putin is Almost a Fascist," *World Policy Journal* 34(1): 48-53, Duke University Press, 2017.
- Snegovaya M., "Putin Can't Last Forever. Will a Post-Putin Russia Look Like Syria Today?" The Monkey Cage (Political Science Blog), the *Washington Post, March 16,* 2016.
- Snegovaya M., "Think of Russia as an Ordinary Petrostate, not an Extraordinary Superpower," The Monkey Cage (Political Science Blog), the *Washington Post, March 9,* 2015.
- Snegovaya M., "Is Russia a New China: Selective Censorship in Russia," Eurasia Outlook Carnegie Moscow Center, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 2015.
- Snegovaya M., "Anti-Western Sentiment as the Basis for Russian Unity," Eurasia Outlook, Carnegie Moscow Center Carnegie, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 2014.
- Lada A., Snegovaya M., "Ukraine-Russia: A Battle of Futures, The Monkey Cage (Political Science Blog), the *Washington Post,* 2014.
- Snegovaya M., "How Putin's Worldview May Be Shaping His Response in Crimea," The Monkey Cage (Political Science Blog), the *Washington Post, April 15, 2014.*
- Snegovaya M., "Neopatrimonialism and the Prospects for Democratization," *Otechestvennye Zapiski,* 6 (57) 2013, November 2013.

Work in Progress

- "Subjective Economic Insecurity and Support for the Military Intervention Abroad" with Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland.
- "Democratization in Dark Times: The Case of Central European Backsliding to Populist Illiberalism," with Tsveta Petrova, Columbia University.

Awards and Distinctions

• CISSM Research Fellowship, University of Maryland, College Park	July 2018
• HSE Alumni Academic Fellowship, National Research University Higher School of Economics	Nov 2017
• The Harriman Russian Studies Research Grant (co-recipient), Columbia University	Apr 2017
• Padma Desai Fellowship, The Harriman Institute, Columbia University	May 2016
• Nominated for the 2015 PolitProsvet prize (political education), a major publication award in Russia	May 2015
• Humane Studies Fellow, The Institute for Humane Studies	2013-2015
• Special Commendation for Organizing Huntington Memorial, National Research University Higher School of Economics	Sep 2010
• Liberal Mission Foundation Project Grant in Support for Young Scholars, selected out of 100 students, National Research University Higher School of Economics	2009-10
• First Prize in the Cato Institute 2008 Essay Competition	Aug 2008

Invited Talks

- February 10, 2019, "Conservatism and Reaction in Contemporary Politics," organized by the Bard College Center for Civic Engagement, Gagarin Center of St. Petersburg State University and the Harriman Institute, Columbia University, New York
- November 16, 2018, The Atlantic Council's Panel: "Understanding Russia's Domestic Political Landscape," Washington, DC
- October 18, 2018, The Atlantic Council's Panel: "Frozen Conflicts and the Kremlin's Agenda," Washington, DC
- October 10, 2018, The Nemtsov Forum Panel (co-organized with the Friedrich Naumann Foundation): "War as a New Reality – Russia and its Neighbors," Prague, Czech Republic
- May 21, 2018, Carnegie Moscow Center Round Table: "The U.S., Europe, and Russia—Very Different Populisms," Moscow, Russia
- Jan 23, 2018, Harriman Institute & Columbia Journalism School Panel: "When Are Journalists Foreign Agents?" New York
- January 23, 2018, Center for European Policy Analysis Panel: "Putin 4.0: What Will the Future Bring?" Washington, DC
- Oct 10, 2017, The Nemtsov Forum Panel Debate (co-organized with the Friedrich Naumann Foundation), "Leaders in Society in Russia and Europe," Berlin, Germany
- May 21, 2017, Sakharov Center, "The Future of Putin's Regime," Moscow, Russia
- May 19, 2017, The Heinrich Boll Stiftung, "The New Green EU-Russia Talks 2017: The Transformation of Political and Civil Society Institutions in Russia and the EU: Causes and Consequences," Berlin, Germany
- May 4, 2016, Association of Schools of Political Studies of the Council of Europe, "The Re-Insurgence of the Radical Right in Europe and the United States," Stockholm, Sweden
- April 11-12, 2016, Fundacji Batorego w Warszawie, "Conservative Revolution," Warsaw, Poland
- April 7, 2016, Panel Discussion at Marine Corps University, "Ambiguous Warfare: The Russian Example," Quantico, VA
- January 22, 2016, Interdisciplinary Symposium, "Technologies of Truth: Propaganda, Ideology, and the Modern State," "Assessing Russia's Propaganda Abroad," Seton Hall University, New Jersey
- January 8, 2016, Svenska Bildningsförbundet, "Russia's Next Generation: What's Up?" Helsinki, Finland
- December 16, 2015, Center on Global Interests, "Russian Propaganda in the Ukrainian Conflict," Washington, DC

- December 15, 2015, Center for Global Interests and the Center for Transatlantic Relations at Johns Hopkins University SAIS, "Turkey-Russia Conflict: What's Next?" Washington, DC
- October 19, 2015, Freedom House, Briefing on Russia's Propaganda on Capitol Hill, Washington, DC
- September 9, 2015, The Gaidar Fund, "Temptation of Authoritarianism. How People Abandon Freedom," Moscow, Russia
- July 21, 2015, Kennan Institute at Wilson Center, "Intellectual Roots of Putin's Nationalism and Ideology," Washington, DC
- June 16, 2015, Center on Global Interests and the Center for Transatlantic Relations at Johns Hopkins University SAIS, "Russia and its Northern Neighbors: Young Leaders on the Future of Baltic Security," Washington, DC
- September 18, 2014, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Special Invited Talk, "The Intellectual Roots of Putin's Nationalism and Ideology," Washington DC

Presentations at Academic Conferences

- February 10, 2019, "Conservatism and Reaction in Contemporary Politics," organized by the Bard College Center for Civic Engagement, Gagarin Center of St. Petersburg State University and Harriman Institute, Columbia University, New York
- May 3, 2018, University of Delaware Conference "Democracy in Decline? The Challenge of Global Populism," Newark, DE
- American Political Science Association Conference 2016, 2017 and 2019
- Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies 2016, 2017 and 2018
- International Studies Association Annual Convention 2016
- Midwestern Political Science Association Conference 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018
- Northeastern Political Science Association Conference 2016
- Northeast Slavic, East European and Eurasian Conference 2017, 2018 and 2019
- Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics 2017
- April 24, 2017, HSE Research Seminar on Political Economy, "The Choices of the Left Parties and the Emergence of Far Right," the Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia
- June 4, 2014, IV International Conference of the Series, "Influence of the Greek Catholic Church on pro-European Orientation of Regions of Ukraine: An Empirical Analysis," Moscow, Russia

Research Experience

CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AND SECURITY STUDIES, THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND — **COLLEGE PARK, MD**
Post-Doctoral Associate — July 2018 – present

- Analyze the relative impact of pocketbook vs. sociotropic economic concerns among the Russian public on support for the Kremlin's military interventions abroad
- Convert dissertation into a book manuscript

CENTER FOR EUROPEAN POLICY ANALYSIS — **WASHINGTON, DC**
Adjunct Fellow — Feb 2018 – present

- Study the dynamics of modernization in Russian society, including Russians' increasing civic and entrepreneurial engagement
- Conduct research on U.S.-Russia foreign policy issues, including the impact of sanctions on Russia's economic and political situation
- Publish research and policy papers assessing the domestic factors explaining the dynamics of Russia's foreign policy; estimate the impact of sanctions on Russia's domestic poles of power

VEDOMOSTI (leading Russian Business Daily) — **NEW YORK, NY**
Columnist — Jul 2013 – Jul 2016

- Authored a biweekly column, applying social science theories to political and economic developments in Russia

THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION — **WASHINGTON, DC**
Special Visiting Guest, Foreign Policy — Jun 2015 – Jul 2015

- Assisted Brookings scholars in researching the political and economic consequences of DCFTA ratification for Ukraine, and the main challenges in meeting EU Customs Union requirements

INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF WAR — **WASHINGTON, DC**
Consultant, Ukraine Program — Jun 2015 – Jul 2015

- Conducted daily open-source information collection and analysis of Russian military activities in Ukraine and Russian political developments
- Published a widely-cited report, "Putin's Information Warfare in Ukraine," which became assigned reading for several graduate courses at top U.S. and European universities

HIGHER SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS — **MOSCOW, RUSSIA**
Research Assistant to Prof. Yevgeny Yasin, Head of Research — Mar 2006 – Dec 2011

- Conducted international comparisons of productivity growth in CIS markets
- Organized Samuel Huntington Memorial Symposium on Institutional Change, which included several Nobel Prize winners, top level policy-makers, and a meeting with President Dmitry Medvedev

Teaching Experience: Columbia University, New York, NY

Guest Lecture in HSPSGR 8445 Legacies of the Empire & Soviet Union, "Journalism, Information and the Propaganda Debate," Columbia University, New York, November 2017 and December 2018
Teaching Fellow, International Relations (Professor Katelyn Jones), POLS UN1601, Spring 2018
Teaching Fellow, Theories of International Relations (Professor Jack Snyder), POLS 6801, Fall 2017
Teaching Fellow, Rising Great Powers (Professor Jack Snyder), POLS UN3625, Spring 2017
Teaching Fellow, Freedom of Speech & Press (Professor Lee C. Bollinger), POLS 3285, Fall 2016
Teaching Fellow, Introduction to Comparative Politics (Professor Hande Mutlu-Eren), POLS W1511, spring 2015
Teaching Fellow, Democracy & Dictatorship (Professor Sheri Berman), POLS V3401, Fall 2014
Teaching Fellow, Political Economy of Development Strategies (Professor Christopher Blattman), POLS W3586, Spring 2014
Teaching Fellow, Quantitative Political Research (Professor Robert Shapiro), POLS W4910, Fall 2013
Teaching Fellow, Introduction to American Politics (Professor Scott Minkoff), POLS W1201, Spring 2013
Teaching Fellow, Introduction to Comparative Politics (Professor Timothy Frye), POLS V1501, Fall 2012

Skills

Languages: English (fluent, TOEFL ibt 2010: 115), French (fluent, DFA-2), Russian (native), Spanish (basic)
Software: Stata, R, SPSS, E-views, East View, LexisNexis